

CLAIMS

The invention is claimed as follows:

1. A package for holding a plurality of products including codes that are read by
5 a scanner comprising:
 - a housing including an interior for receiving the products, wherein the housing is so constructed and arranged to enable at least portions of some of the products to be visible but prevents the codes on the products to be read by a scanner;
and
 - 10 the housing includes at least one code which is readable by the scanner.
2. The package of Claim 1, wherein at least one portion of the housing includes a cover material.
- 15 3. The package of Claim 1, wherein at least one portion of the housing is substantially non-transparent.
4. The package of Claim 1, wherein at least one portion of the housing is opaque.
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5. The package of Claim 1, which includes at least one lid removably attached to the housing so the products in the housing cannot fall out of the housing.
6. The package of Claim 1, wherein the housing includes two open ends for
25 receiving the products.
7. The package of Claim 6, which includes at least two lids removably attached to the housing so the products in the housing cannot fall out of the housing.

8. A package for holding a plurality of consumable products, each of the consumable products including a bar code readable by a scanner, said package comprising:

5 a housing including a cover material, said cover material positioned on the housing to enable at least portions of the consumable products to be visible and prevent the bar codes on the consumable products from being read by the scanner.

9. The package of Claim 8, wherein the bar codes are Universal Product Code symbols.

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10. The package of Claim 8, which includes a lid attached to one end of the housing so that the products cannot fall out of the housing.

11. The package of Claim 8, wherein the housing includes two open ends for
15 receiving the products.

12. The package of Claim 11, which includes at least two lids attached to the housing to cover the openings so the products in the housing cannot fall out of the housing.

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13. A package for consumable products in the shape of a Christmas ornament comprising:

25 at least one consumable product including a bar code inserted in a housing shaped like a Christmas ornament, said housing including at least one other bar code readable by the scanner; and

 at least a portion of the housing including a wrapping material, said wrapping material enabling at least portions of the consumable products to be visible and preventing the bar codes on the consumable products from being read by the scanner.

30 14. The package of Claim 13, wherein the bar codes are Universal Product Code symbols.

15. The package of Claim 13, wherein the wrapping material is at least one ribbon attached to the outside of the housing.
16. The package of Claim 13, wherein the wrapping material is integrally formed
5 with the housing.
17. The package of Claim 13, wherein the portion of the housing is opaque.
18. A method of packaging consumable products having at least one bar code
10 readable by a scanner, said method comprising:
- (a) providing a housing for receiving at least one consumable product;
 - (b) constructing at least a portion of said housing to enable at least portions of the consumable products to be visible and prevent the bar codes on the consumable products from being read by a scanner;
 - 15 (c) constructing the housing to include at least one bar code which is readable by the scanner; and
 - (d) placing at least one consumable product in the housing.
19. The method of Claim 18, which includes the step of constructing the housing
20 to include a cover material to enable at least portions of the consumable products to be visible and prevent the bar codes on the consumable products from being read by a scanner.
20. The method of Claim 19, wherein the step of constructing the housing to
25 include a cover material includes integrally forming the cover material with the housing.
21. The method of Claim 18, which includes at least partially forming the housing with an opaque material.
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22. The method of Claim 18, which includes placing the products in the housing so the products cannot fall out of the housing.

23. The method of Claim 18, which includes placing at least one cover on the housing so the products in the housing cannot fall out of the housing.